

Federal Housing Finance Board

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(c) *Description.* A disc having the same design and description as the official logo, contained in § 900.54 and displayed in paragraph (b) of that section.

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§ 900.54 Official logo.

This section describes and displays the logo adopted by the Board of Directors as the official symbol representing the Finance Board. It is displayed on correspondence and selected documents.

(a) *Description.* A disc with its center consisting of three polygons arranged in an irregular line partially overlapping—each polygon drawn in a manner resembling a silhouette of a pitched roof house and with distinctive eaves under its roof—encircled by a designation scroll having an outer and inner border of plain heavy lines and containing the words “FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD” in capital letters, in sans serif type, with two mullets on the extreme left and right of the scroll.

(b) *Display.*



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§ 902.1 Definitions.

As used in this part:

Bank means a Federal Home Loan Bank.

Bank System means the Federal Home Loan Bank System, consisting of all twelve Banks.

Business means an enterprise, including a firm, corporation, joint stock company, partnership, joint venture or association that engages in commercial activity on a regular basis.

Chairperson means the Chairperson of the Board of Directors.

Finance Board means the Federal Housing Finance Board.

Minority means:

(1) A male person or persons classified as either an African-American, a Native-American, a Hispanic-American, or an Asian-American; or

(2) A female person or persons regardless of ethnic or racial classification.

Minority-owned entity means a business that is:

(1) Owned or controlled by any combination of African-Americans, Native-Americans, Hispanic-Americans or Asian-Americans, regardless of gender, where such ownership or control includes the management of the daily business operations; or

(2) Owned or controlled by female persons, regardless of ethnic origin, where such ownership or control includes the management of its daily business operations.

§ 902.2 Assessments on the Banks.

(a) *Assessment authority.* The Finance Board may impose a semiannual assessment on the Banks in an aggregate amount the Finance Board determines is sufficient to provide for the payment of its estimated expenses for the period for which it makes such assessment.

(b) *Assessment procedure.* (1) At or near the end of each fiscal year, the Finance Board shall approve an annual budget of Finance Board expenses for the next fiscal year. The Finance Board shall promptly provide a copy of the

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approved budget to each Bank president.

(2) The Finance Board shall assess the Banks semiannually in an aggregate amount it determines is sufficient to pay the expenses approved under paragraph (b)(1) of this section. The Finance Board shall offset the amount of the semiannual assessments it imposes on the Banks by any amount it determines is remaining from previous semiannual assessments. The Finance Board shall promptly notify each Bank president in writing of the amount on any assessment.

(3) Each Bank shall pay a *pro rata* share of the semiannual assessments imposed under paragraph (b)(2) of this section. The Finance Board shall calculate each Bank's *pro rata* share based on the ratio between the total paid-in value of the Bank's capital stock and the aggregate total paid-in value of the capital stock of every Bank. The Finance Board shall promptly notify each Bank in writing of the amount of its *pro rata* share of any semiannual assessment.

(4) Unless otherwise instructed in writing by the Finance Board, each Bank shall pay to the Finance Board its *pro rata* share of an assessment in equal monthly installments during the semiannual period covered by the assessment.

[62 FR 35949, July 3, 1997]

§ 902.3 Monthly interest rate survey.

The Finance Board conducts its Monthly Survey of Rates and Terms on Conventional One-Family Nonfarm Mortgage Loans in the following manner:

(a) *Initial survey.* Each month, the Finance Board samples approximately 1,000 mortgage lenders (savings and loan associations, savings banks, commercial banks, and mortgage loan companies) and asks them to report the terms and conditions on all conventional mortgages (not federally insured or guaranteed) used to purchase single-family homes that each such lender closes during the last five working days of the month. In most cases, the information is reported electronically in a format similar to Finance Board Form FHFB 10-91. The data is weighted so that the pattern of weighted re-

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sponses matches the actual pattern of mortgage originations by lender type and by region. The Finance Board tabulates the data and publishes standard data tables late in the following month.

(b) *Adjustable-rate mortgage index.* The weighted data, tabulated and published pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section, is used to compile the Finance Board's adjustable-rate mortgage index, entitled the "National Average Contract Mortgage Rate for the Purchase of Previously Occupied Homes by Combined Lenders." This index is the successor to the index maintained by the former Federal Home Loan Bank Board and is used for determining the movement of the interest rate on the renegotiable-rate mortgages and on some other adjustable-rate mortgages.

(c) *Means of survey.* The Finance Board collects the data for the compilation of the indices described in this section by contract. Pursuant to such contract, a Finance Board form, entitled "Monthly Survey of Rates and Terms on Conventional One-Family Nonfarm Mortgage Loans" (FHFB Form 10-91), is distributed to selected lending institutions. The data is collected, compiled and processed, and the completed survey results are forwarded to the Housing Finance Directorate of the Finance Board for tabulation and distribution.

§ 902.4 Schedule of charges for agency services.

(a) *Authority.* Section 9701 of title 31, United States Code, directs government agencies to charge a fee for any special service provided to a selected segment of the public that makes use of such special service (31 U.S.C. 9701). The Office of Management and Budget's Circular A-25 contains guidelines for agencies to follow when promulgating regulations for such user fee charges. This section implements that authority.

(b) *ARM Index special programming service.* (1) The Finance Board develops and makes available special tabulations of its monthly interest rate survey data for individual users, upon request.